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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION WITH REQUESTS FOR WITHDRAWAL OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006, setting a one-month term for reply. Applicants elect, with traverse, the claims of Group II, and the anti-apoptotic protein bel-2.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), a two-month extension of the term for reply, i.e., to up to and including September 16, 2006, is requested. Enclosed is a check for \$450.00 in payment of the fee required under § 1.17(a). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.